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C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 278157

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, IT, TU

SUBJECT: SALE OF ADDITIONAL F-104S AIRCRAFT TO TURKEY

REF: A) ROME 15827 B) STATE 257948

C) CHMAAG ROME TEL 201305Z OCT 75

1. DEPARTMENT IS PREPARED TO APPROVE ITALIAN REQUEST FOR  
SALE OF 44 F-104S AIRCRAFT BY GOI TO TURKEY AS FIRST  
RAISED IN REF C PROVIDED THAT GOT GIVES USG IN WRITING  
STANDARD ASSURANCES RELATING TO THIRD-PARTY TRANSFERS. IN  
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ADDITION, WE WOULD APPRECIATE CONFIRMATION OF EXACT NUMBER

OF AIRCRAFT CONCERNED, SINCE REF A MENTIONS ONLY 24 AS  
FIRM ORDER BY TURKS, WITH REMAINING 20 AN OPTION. WE

PREFER AS MATTER OF POLICY TO CONSIDER ONLY THOSE THIRD-  
PARTY TRANSFER REQUESTS WHICH ARE THE SUBJECT OF FIRM  
CONTRACTS OR DEALS, THEREBY AVOIDING BLANKET APPROVALS OF  
POSSIBLE TRANSFERS WHICH MAY NEVER MATERIALIZE. THIS CON-  
FORMS WITH POSITION WE TOOK ON GOI REQUEST OF LAST YEAR  
TO SELL 18 F-104S AIRCRAFT TO TURKEY WITH OPTION ON 18  
ADDITIONAL (SUBSEQUENTLY REQUESTED AND APPROVED).

2. QUESTION OF NUMBERS COULD BE COVERED IN FORMAL DIPLO-  
MATIC NOTE FROM FOREIGN MINISTRY TO EMBASSY WHICH WE  
BELIEVE IS NECESSARY IN ORDER PROVIDE US WITH FULLEST  
POSSIBLE DOCUMENTATION ON THIRD-PARTY TRANSFERS OF  
US-ORIGIN MILITARY EQUIPMENT. NOTE SHOULD ALSO INCLUDE  
COMPLETE LIST OF ANY OTHER EQUIPMENT, SUCH AS SPARE  
PARTS, TO BE INCLUDED IN PROPOSED TRANSACTION. IN  
REQUESTING SUCH NOTE, YOU MAY INFORM GOI OFFICIALS THAT  
USG IS PREPARED TO APPROVE ITALIAN REQUEST ONCE QUESTION  
OF NUMBERS IS CLARIFIED AND WE RECEIVE TURKISH TRANSFER  
ASSURANCES.

3. FOR ANKARA: ONCE FORMAL GOI REQUEST HAS BEEN RECEIVED  
AND QUESTION OF NUMBERS IS CLARIFIED, WE WILL AUTHORIZE  
EMBASSY TO OBTAIN TRANSFER ASSURANCES FROM GOT, USING  
STANDARD TEXT AS CONTAINED STATE 207820 OF SEP 20, 1974.  
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